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# From the Vermont State Deputy



Dear Brother Knights,

Well, we have made it another year. We are starting a new Fraternal Year. What does that mean. It means we get to put our mistakes and accomplishments from last year on the back burner and start anew. We get to look forward to the fun and exciting times that lay ahead of us. We get to try new things out this year. We get a clean slate to start the year off with.

. I want to thank all of the Council Officers I have met over the past year in my travels around the state. I know I did not make it to all of the Council's like I had hoped to. I did however enjoy the travels I did make and all the new friends I made at these visits. You have made doing this job truly enjoyable. There were many bumpy roads along the was this past year. One of which that was the biggest was membership and recruiting. There were several months where we as a state brought in no new members. That is not good if we plan to succeed in the future. During the 2018-2019 Fraternal Year we brought in only 55 new members. That is a long ways away from where we have been over the past several years where we have brought in between 90-105 members per year. All in total when you figure in the fact that we started the year with 3,749 members in Council's across the state, and ended the year with 3,699 members in total we lost 105 members throughout the State this past year. That sadly, is average for Vermont to where we lose 100+ Brother Knights a year, and this is something we cannot control.



We can however control our new membership. How can we control new membership you may be wondering? It's simple really. We need to ask men to join us. We need to hold monthly Admission Degrees. Every Council in the State has the Admission Degree Video they can use, especially when there is no Degree Team available. I know some Council's "take" the summer off but we can no longer afford to do that. We all need to stay active and focused on the good Charitable works that each Council does. If you take July and August off, then there are two months where we are not being Charitable. We all know that in this present time we need to be Charitable all the time. The Church does not take time off from helping those in need and we shouldn't either. We should be standing with the Church to help those in need. We cannot do that if we close and "lock the doors" to the Council during the summer. We need to be active all the time. We have plenty we can be doing during these months. Putting a dinner on for this Charitable cause, or a breakfast for that Charitable cause. We all know of organizations that are in need to funds or gifts to help others, lets help them this summer. We need to be active at the beginning of the year so we can remain active throughout the year. We also need to recruit every day of the year. That is the only way we will survive as an Order. Lets start recruiting new members who will help us throughout the year. Lets make July and August the best Vermont has ever seen. Remember recruiting is simple, all it takes to recruit someone is simply to ask them, and if they ask why you joined, tell them "To be a better Catholic, a better husband, and to be a better father." I am sure being in the Knights has made everyone better at those things. I know it has made me a better Catholic.

Vivat Jesus!

Thomas A. Herbst, Jr.

Thomas Herbst, Jr.
State Deputy



#### STATE SECRETARY'S CORNER

Here we are already at the end of June and our weather here in Vermont has finally changed from "chilly" to some warm and beautiful days, finally!! Let's enjoy it while we can!

As you can see from the calendar, we are at the beginning of a new fraternal year and that means that the first half per capita bills will be arriving soon as well as the annual charity assessment for each council. As a reminder, you do not need to 'warn' this payment in order to pay it, so all you financial secretary's simply need to do a voucher and send a check to the State Secretary.

I was remiss last month in expressing my thanks to all those councils and individuals who donated to the ultrasound initiative from our latest convention. To date, our account has \$1592.25 which means we still have \$48,407.75 to go to meet our goal for Supreme. As a reminder, once we have raised our \$50K, for a van, Supreme will be paying for the ultrasound in full! Our State Chaplain, in celebration of his 10<sup>th</sup> year anniversary of ordination has asked for donations to this project as well and we need to give him special thanks for doing this in honor of his 10 years as an ordained priest!

Our installation of State Officers is right around the corner, July 21<sup>st</sup> at St. Joseph's Cathedral on Allen Street in Burlington. This will take place immediately following the 10:00 am Mass. Bishop Coyne has graciously offered us his courtyard for a barbeque right after the installation. We are hoping to have as many of you as possible to join us in congratulating your State Officer's and District Deputies as they begin another year in their respective offices. If you are planning on attending, please contact David Ely, Grand Knight of Burlington Council 279 at 802-862-5109 or email at: <a href="mailto:elyfamily6@aol.com">elyfamily6@aol.com</a> so they will know roughly how much food to have on hand for the barbeque. Council 279 has offered to host the barbeque for one and all.

We have already sent in a deposit for next year's convention to the Jay Peak Resort in Jay, Vermont. There will be some special events going on for Friday evening, so we are hopeful that many of you will consider spending Friday and Saturday night at the resort in Jay. Stay tuned for more information as the committee begins their due diligence for this annual event.

That's all for now! Steve Shover, State Secretary Worthy Sir Knights,

Fraternal Year 2018-2019 has come to an end. It is hard to believe the 4th of July is here already. I wish to thank all the Faithful Navigators and Assemblies for the past year, for those of you whose term has expired, "Thank You", you fought a hard fight and hopefully, you were successful. For the newly elected Navigators, I "CONGRATULATE YOU" on accepting a unique office. I ask that you review all the requirements of the position as well as your officer's. Work with your members, Staff and Council Grand Knights and your Assembly will shine. Ensure your Assembly Officer Form 186 has been submitted. You may not have access to on-line Assembly information until Supreme recognizes you as the new or returning Navigator. Ensure your audits are completed. Have you scheduled your installation of officer's date? Is your Assembly By-Laws on-line with Supreme? If not, expedite getting them done. Is a copy posted or available for your members to see? Review the requirements for the Patriot and Civic Awards... Fraternal Year 2019-2020 is your time to shine and make STAR ASSEMBLY.

When was the last time the Patriotic Rosary was recited, especially for the **Conversion of our Nation's Capital**, for our **Holy Father**, for our **Bishop**, **Priests**, and **Religious**, and for the **Conversion of our Country? Information on the Patriotic Rosary can be found at <a href="http://www.patrioticrosary.com">http://www.patrioticrosary.com</a>. <b>How about dedicating a** decade for each branch of our military services?

1st Decade: Marine Corps

2nd Decade: Army3rd Decade: Navy4th Decade: Air Force5th Decade: Coast Guard

I have requested the next 4<sup>th</sup> Degree Exemplification to be conducted on September 29, 2019. This is a Sunday afternoon event and before deer season... SO NO EXCUSES. I know WE can make this work. I NEED your help to make it work. I am aware Councils and Assemblies tend to take time off during the summer months however, NOW is the time to start recruiting. I need your completed Form 4 copies by September 1st. Due to late submission of names for the Provincial Degree in Manchester NH on June 15<sup>th</sup>, some of new Sir Knights name did not make it into their souvenir booklet hopefully, this will not be the case again.

I look forward to meeting you. Please contact me with any questions you may have. Continue your recruitment drive for 4<sup>th</sup> Degree candidates.

I ask you all to be safe out there this summer

Pray the rosary daily and may God Bless you and may

God Bless the United States of America.

Vivat Jesus!

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# **INSURANCE MESSAGE**

#### Long-Term Care Plans Offer Peace of Mind

Since its addition to the Order's product portfolio in 2000, long-term care (LTC) insurance has provided the Knights of Columbus with an excellent opportunity to further serve members and their families. And, for our long-term care policy holders in the United States, there's an added bonus.

It's called "Provider Pathway," a program offering access to a network of long-term care providers at discounted rates. The network includes discounts on products, such as hearing aids, diabetic supplies, personal emergency response systems, and durable medical equipment, as well as skilled nursing facilities, assisted living, and adult day care.

Eligibility for participation in this program is open to Knights of Columbus long-term care insurance **policyholders, their spouses, dependent children, parents and parents-in-law**. Read that again. All providers are fully credentialed and meet state licensing requirements.

If you haven't yet spoken with me about long-term care insurance, you owe it to yourself to do so. There are a few decisions to make in choosing a "plan" — a comprehensive plan that covers care whether you're at home or in a facility; daily benefit amounts and benefit durations (how much and how long it will last); and the length of the elimination period (waiting period) before it kick-in.

Having a professionally trained agent — and a brother Knight you can trust — to help guide you through the process is yet another valuable benefit that comes with your membership. Take advantage of it; contact me today.

David Giuliani 802-272-6009 david.giuliani@kofc.org

# 2019 Silver Rose

Worthy Grand Knights, State Officers, District Deputies and Brother Knights,

I am writing as State Silver Rose Chairman to request your Council's participation in this year's Silver Rose program.

#### A Higher Purpose

Share the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe and promote respect for life by participating in this meaningful pilgrimage. The Silver Rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady.



#### Overview

Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by Knights of Columbus councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

As State Chairman, I look forward to working with you this year in organizing and conducting the Silver Rose program in our beautiful State of Vermont. The 2019 schedule is set: Vermont will receive the Silver Rose from NH in Windsor on May 21 and will have it until June 21, when we are scheduled to deliver it to NY in Albany.

If your Council is interested in hosting the Silver Rose please let me know ASAP so that I can make up the schedule for Vermont. For additional information about the program, please go to the K of C website at: <a href="www.kofc.org">www.kofc.org</a>. On the home page, click on "Programs," then "Life," and lastly "Silver Rose." If you have any questions about this year's schedule, procedures, or the program materials, please contact me. I would be happy to help find a date for your Council's Silver Rose program.

Thank you for helping to make the 2019 Silver Rose Run a prayerful witness to the sacredness of every human life.



Vivat Jesus!

Roger Dickinson (802) 373-7135 (c) dcknsn95@myfairpoint.net Worthy Grand Knights,

I am writing to let you all know that there are many open dates for the Silver Rose's upcoming travels through Vermont.

The Silver Rose is a Life Program in the new Faith in Action. Don't miss out on this opportunity! Make my job hard; I will willingly travel to the far corners of VT to get the Silver Rose to your Council.

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In devotion to our Blessed Mother,

Roger Dickinson State Silver Rose Chairman

#### 2019 Vermont Silver Rose Schedule

| Sunday                 | Monday                   | Tuesday  | Wednesday | Thursda<br>v | Friday  | Saturday               |
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|                        |                          | 21-May Pick up Silver Rose from NH at St. Francis in Windsor | 22-May    | 23-May       | 24-May  | 25-May                 |
| 26-May                 | 27-May                   | 28-May   | 29-May    | 30-May       | 31-May<br>2284 Winooski   | 1-Jun<br>2284 Winooski |
| 2-Jun<br>2284 Winooski | 3-Jun                    | 4-Jun<br>10417 Milton  | 5-Jun     | 7-Jun        | 8-Jun   | 9-Jun                  |
| 10-Jun                 | 11-Jun<br>279 Burlington | 12-Jun   | 13-Jun    | 14-Jun       | 15-Jun  | 15-Jun                 |
| 16-Jun                 | 17-Jun                   | 18-Jun   | 19-Jun    | 20-Jun       | 21-Jun Deliver Silver Rose to NY at Immaculate Conception in Albany |                        |

# CAMPAIGN FOR PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES CHAIRMAN

#### **Phase 3. June 2019**

- 1. June should be the primary dates for the program. Other weekends may be used if there are serious problems or conflicts. Please notify the Syaye Chairman of your planned dates for this event.
- 2. Please **DO NOT** put on your drive at a business in another councils area without first getting permission to do so by their Grand Knight.
- 3. Send check or money order and page 4 results form for the **FULL AMOUNT** of the receipts to the K of C VT State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF PROGRAM COMPLETION. Checks should be made out to K of C State Council.

PLEASE note as voted at the 121st convention to consider making a donation to the "James O'Hagan Special People Camp. We are unable to send special people this year due to lack of funding.

Please use the following form to send in your report and check

### 2019 TOOTSIE ROLL PROGRAM

Please use this form when sending your check to the VT State Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities Chairman

| Date          |               |                |                        |
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## **RUTLAND COUNCIL 232**

When it comes to community service and/or volunteerism, Rutland County can always count on the Knights of Columbus (K of C) to be involved in some regard. On June 9th, following the Crowley Brothers' Memorial Races, Council 232 generously opened their headquarters' doors to serve much-needed breakfasts and refreshments to over 100 racers. This race fell under the category of events that the K of C continuously participates in with the intentions of unifying our community indiscriminately of religious backgrounds and/or beliefs. Universally, community service is a major priority in the K of C and that doctrine is held in a steadfast manner. Locally, Council 232 recognizes the successes of sponsoring this breakfast with the stipulation that membership recruitment is still in order. All unconsumed food was donated to the Open Door Mission of Rutland Vermont.

















#### STATE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR VISITS COUNCIL 399 BARRE



<u>PICTURED ABOVE LEFT TO RIGHT</u>: Bill Robie, Financial Secretary; Nick Conti, Trustee/State Advocate; Joe Kelly, Trustee/District Deputy; Mike Rouleau, Grand Knight; Richard Beach, Warden (in the rear); Mark Alger, Trustee; William Toborg; Anson Hastings, Treasurer; Ed Nuttall, State Membership Director

On 11 June 2019 at 7 pm in the basement of St Monica Church in Barre, VT, the State Membership Director met with the officers of Council 399 discussing a variety of recruiting methods. Highlights included:

- Using the "Top Recruiters Report" to identify and pull together men who have had recruiting success.
- Using the "Former Member Listing Report" to ask former members to come back to the Council.
- Forming a Membership Committee consisting of the Deputy Grand Knight and the three Trustees.
- Asking the Chaplain/Pastor to identify 5 practical Catholics for recruiting.
- Submitting weekly inputs to the Church Bulletin to keep parishioners informed of Council activities.

#### **KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE HELD IN MILTON ON 27 JUNE 2019**



**PICTURED ABOVE:** Front Row Sitting - New Members;

2<sup>nd</sup> Row Standing with Yellow Sashes – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Team; 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Rows Standing – Guests



#### PICTURED ABOVE ARE NEW MEMBERS TO THE 3RD DEGREE: Zackary

Heiman, Council 232 Rutland; David Bean, Council 279 Burlington; Ojiaka Ekwekie, Council 279 Burlington; Eric Heiman, Council 2284 Winooski; ; Dave Trainque, Council 2284 Winooski; David Hodge, Council 4684 Richmond John Corrigan, Council 7324 Ludlow; Andrew Barrows, Council 7389 Colchester; Fr. Paul Sebastian, Council 7763 Orleans; Paul Audy, Council 10535 Bristol; Pat Paquette, Council 10535 Bristol; Bob Cosgrove, Council 10417 Milton;



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MEMBERS
OF THE

KNIGHTHOOD TEAM LEFT TO RIGHT: Nelson Lachappelle, Team Assistant
Warden, Council 7669 Swanton; James Candon II, Warden, Council 232 Rutland; Keith Billado,
Team Host District Deputy, Council 10830 Fairfax; Shan Reil, Music Man, Council 10417
Milton; Peter Laramie, Conferring Officer, Council 810 Fair Haven



TEAM CAPTAIN, Keith Kennedy, Council 4684 Richmond

#### WITNESSES TO THE KNIGHTHOOD DEGREE

State Deputy – Tom Herbst Jr., Steve Shover – State Secretary,

District Deputy #3 – Bill LaCroix, District Deputy #4 – Chris Poirier,

State Membership Director - Ed Nuttall, Grand Knight Council 4684 Richmond, Bill Rensch

Grand Knight Council 7389 Colchester, Larry Bellew,

Grand Knight Council 7763 Orleans, Gilles Berard,

Grand Knight Council 10417 Milton, Peter Lavallee

Grand Knight – 10535 Bristol, David Lathrop

The degree was hosted by Council 10417 Milton District #1 in St Anns Church. Candidates were received at 6:30 pm with degree commencing at 7 pm. Twelve candidates were welcomed to the Knighthood Degree, one of which was a priest. An outstanding food and drink bar was provided upon conclusion of the degree by Tim Downs.

### **Brother Knights**

I thank you for all of your articles and making this newsletter a success.

I ask that all of the District Deputies and Grand Knights to PLEASE forward this newsletter to all of your councils and members.

Send all articles to <a href="mailto:noelmaurice2@gmail.com">noelmaurice2@gmail.com</a>

**NEXT ISSUE WILL BE JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup>**